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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20554

EX PARTE LETTER

RE: Special Access Rates for Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers, WC Docket No. 05-25

Dear Secretary Dortch:

On April 27, 2012, BT met with Zachary Katz, Sharon Gillett and Michael Steffen to discuss special access issues. Representing BT were Sir Michael Rake, Chairman, BT plc, Jennifer Taylor Hodges, VP, US Government Affairs, and Sheba Chacko, Senior Counsel and Head, N. American Regulation and Global Telecoms Policy. During this meeting, BT reiterated its concerns about special access market failures and why it is important that the Commission speedily progress the issuance of the mandatory data request(s).

If you have any questions regarding any matters discussed herein please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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cc: Zachary Katz, Michael Steffen Sharon Gillett